

***Exhibit C***  
***Affidavit of Jeff Smalls***

***Application of Windstream Communications, LLC***  
***for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications***  
***Carrier***

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Docket No. 2021-\_\_\_\_\_ - C**

In the Matter of:	)
	)
Application of Windstream Communications, LLC	)
for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications	)
Carrier to Receive Rural Digital Opportunity Fund	)
Auction (Auction 904) Support for Voice and	)
Broadband Services and Request for Expedited	)
Consideration	)
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STATE OF ARKANSAS

COUNTY OF PULASKI

**AFFIDAVIT**

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING DULY  
SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Jeff Small. I am employed by Windstream Communications, LLC (the "Company"), as its President – Kinetic Division. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this Affidavit on behalf of the Company.
  
2. I have read the foregoing Application in the above-captioned matter and know the contents thereof. Said contents are true and accurate.
  
3. The Company further acknowledges that the Federal Communications Commission may require the Company to provide equal access to long distance carriers in the

event that no other eligible telecommunications carrier is providing equal access within the service area.

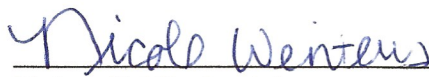
4. The Company does offer or will offer the services that are supported by the federal universal service support mechanisms by using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale of another carrier's services.

5. The Company does or will advertise in a media of general distribution the availability of such services, including Lifeline services and the applicable charges.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeff Small  
President – Kinetic Division  
Windstream Communications, LLC

SWORN and subscribed to before me  
this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.

  
\_\_\_\_\_(L.S.)  
Notary Public for Arkansas  
My Commission Expires: April 8, 2021

